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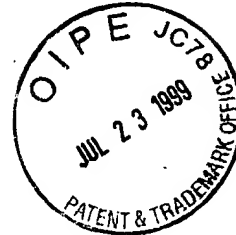
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Sir:

In response to the Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures, 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1.825, that accompanied the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application mailed April 22, 1999, Applicants submit herewith the required paper copy and computer readable copy of the Sequence Listing. Please amend the specification in adherence with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1.825 as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

✓ On page 2, lines 13 and 14, replace "*M. intracellular*" with --*M. intracellulare*--

✓ On page 4, line 17, insert --(SEQ ID NOS:1-181)-- after "Table 1".